



MINUTES
Advisory Committee Meeting
Thursday, 07/14/22 from 10:30AM - 12:30PM
Held via: Zoom Webinar

Attendance: Peggy Sue Greenwood, Abby Conger, Jess Gorton, Laurie Vachon, Maureen DiTomaso, Melissa Hardy, Krista Gilbert, Ellen McCahon, Deborah Opramolla, Susan Silsby, Ann Potoczak, Jenn Pineo, Keith Steckis, Carrie Duran, Denise Nash, Mark Vincent, Isadora Rodriguez-Legendre, Darlene Hayden, Stephanie Patrick, Mark Mills, Cathy Spinney, Uma, Tyler Jacques, Lesley Blecharczyk, Stacey Rosenzweig, Drew Smith, Alecia Ortiz, Gracie Joo, Denise Garcia (CART)

Note: Members of the public who joined as attendees in listen-only mode are not included in this list.

Please reference the corresponding slide presentation for the detailed agenda, including topics and themes covered in the meeting and corresponding takeaways and applicable action items. This document provides context into areas of substantive discussion which took place during the meeting.

Major Topics and Themes	Key Discussion Areas
Housekeeping	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The Waiver and Rate Work Groups provided expedited updates to allow time for the Direct Service Professional (DSP) Subcommittee presentation
Waiver Workgroup Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The Group continues to draft Service Definitions. They have finished reviewing day services, will begin drafting day service definitions, and will move on to support services.
Rate Workgroup Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The Group is working through the cost collection template used by providers and Area Agencies to collect information on the cost of delivering services. This template will be beta tested soon.The Group is finalizing developing Designated Area Agency Delivery System (DAADS) rates, which is required for direct billing.<ul style="list-style-type: none">Part of this iterative process is defining which services Area Agencies cannot get Medicaid reimbursement for and distinguishing Area Agency functions from Case Management functions.

<p>Direct Service Professional (DSP) Subcommittee Preliminary Recommendations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Subcommittee emphasized the need to increase wages for Direct Service Professionals (DSP) to attract and retain workforce. • The Subcommittee presented recommendations for establishing minimum orientation and training requirements that include training for behavioral supports, de-escalation techniques, functional mobility, self-care skills, and communication. • The Subcommittee recommended using existing National Alliance for Direct Support Professionals (NADSP) credentialing system in NH. • Training and education recommendations combine synchronous online learning with asynchronous hands-on learning to evaluate mastery of skills. • The Subcommittee recommends NH develop more specialty certifications. • The Subcommittee recommends establishing independent governing body to carry out DSP credentialing processes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ The Subcommittee emphasized the importance of considering how NH can grand person the credentialing process for existing DSPs. • The Subcommittee emphasized the importance of collecting data in a universal and collaborative manner for ease of interpreting updated information.
<p>Next Steps</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Advisory Committee did not break out into Focus Groups. The next Advisory Committee meeting will be held August 10, 2022 from 10am-12pm. • <i>Please refer to the corresponding work group PPT for details on assignments (if any) and next steps.</i>